

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**On page 22, please replace the second full paragraph with the following amended paragraph:**

D<sub>1</sub>  
Examples of alcohol used as the decoloring compound include: decane-1-ol; undecane-1-ol; lauryl alcohol; tridecane-1-ol; myristyl alcohol; pentadecane-1-ol; cetyl alcohol; heptadecane-1-ol; stearyl alcohol; octadecane-2-ol; eicosane-1-ol; decosane-1-ol; 6-(perfluoro-7-methyloctyl)hexanol; cyclododecanol; 1,4-cyclohexanediol; 1,2-cyclohexanediol; 1,2-cyclododecanediol; sterol compounds such as cholesterol, stigmasterol, pregnolone, methylandrostenediol, estradiol benzoate, epiandrosterone, stenolone,  $\beta$ -sitosterol, pregnenolone acetate,  $\beta$ -cholesterol, 5,16-pregnadiene-3 $\beta$ -ol-20-one, 5 $\alpha$ -pregnene-3 $\beta$ -ol-20-one, 5-pregnene-3 $\beta$ ,17-diol-20-one 21-acetate, 5-pregnene-3 $\beta$ ,17-diol-20-one 17-acetate, 5-pregnene-3 $\beta$ ,21-diol-20-one 21-acetate, 5-pregnene-3 $\beta$ ,17-diol diacetate, ~~rockogenin~~rockogenin, tigogenin, ~~esmiragenin~~esmilagenin, hecogenin and diosgenin; saccharides and derivatives thereof such as glucose and saccharose; alcohols having a cyclic structure such as 1,2:5,6-diisopropylidene-D-mannitol; etc.

**On page 78, please replace the first full paragraph with the following amended paragraph:**

D<sub>2</sub>  
The surface of magnetic particles of Co-deposited  $\gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> "CSF-4085 V2" manufactured by Toda Kogyo Co., Ltd. was treated with a silane coupling agent "X-12-641" manufactured by Shinetsu Chemical Co., Ltd. The weight ratio of the silane coupling agent to the magnetic particles was 16 weight %. Then, the back first layer was coated with a liquid having the following composition so that the coating amount of the magnetic particles treated with the

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silane coupling agent was  $62 \text{ mg/m}^2$ , and dried at  $115^\circ\text{C}$  for 1 minute, to dispose a magnetic recording layer (back second layer). Dispersion of the magnetic particles and abrasives was carried out according to a method described in Japanese Patent Laid-Open No. 6-035092.

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Cont Increase in color density of DB of the magnetic recording layer by X-light (blue filter) was approximately 0.1, and the magnetic recording layer had a saturated magnetizing moment of 4.2 emu/g, a ~~magnetic retention~~ coercivity of  $7.3 \times 10^4 \text{ A/m}$  and ~~an angular form content~~ rectangularity of 65 %.

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